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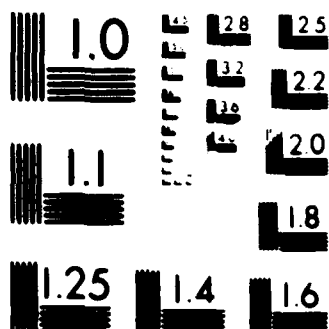
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The Berkeley Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI) featured a program in computational complexity during 1985-86. A substantial part of the program was devoted to parallel and distributed computing. Support for this part of the program was obtained from the present Air Force grant and a similar contract from the Army. Senior personnel supported were Richard Farp and Michael Rabin; Richard Anderson was a postdoctoral fellow. David Auslander and Nathan Linial visited for a month. A workshop on parallel and distributed computing was held from May 19 to May 23, 1986 and drew 11 participants.		
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1. Summary. This contract was entitled "Parallel and distributed computing". It provided \$92,000 in partial support of the yearlong program on Computational Complexity held at the Berkeley Mathematical Sciences Research Institute during 1985-86. This was combined with a similar contract from the Army Research Office and with funding of MSRI from the National Science Foundation to budget the total program on Computational Complexity at approximately \$600,000.

Initially, the co-principal investigators were Richard Karp and Calvin Moore. When, on July 1, 1985, Professor Moore left his post as Deputy Director of MSRI to become a Vice-President of the University of California system, Irving Kaplansky (the current Director of MSRI) replaced him. Professor Karp provided the scientific direction and Professor Kaplansky the administrative support.

Richard Anderson was a postdoctor fellow supported by the grant. There was partial support for Richard Karp and, in addition Michael Rabin of Hebrew University and Harvard University was a senior visitor for six months (January through June, 1986). Louis Auslander and Nathan Linial visited for a month each.

From May 19 to May 23, 1986 MSRI hosted a Workshop on Parallel and Distributed Computing, supported by the Army contract and the Air Force grant.

2. Report on the Scientific Work.

Michael Rabin

Rabin worked on a set of algorithms using randomization for control and load sharing in parallel computers. These algorithms are a substitute for costly hardware solutions, such as combining networks, for the same problem. The results will appear in the following paper:

Amos Israeli and Michael Rabin, "Distributed Queues and Priority Trees for Control in Parallel Computers", to appear.

Richard Karp

Karp investigated parallel algorithms for backtrack search, branch-and-bound computations, and the evaluation of game trees. An outgrowth of this work was an interesting sequential algorithm for conducting a branch-and-bound search within limited storage. He also worked on the probabilistic analysis of combinatorial algorithms, with particular emphasis on bin packing problems. The following papers resulted from this work.

R.M. Karp, M. Saks and A. Wigderson, "A Search Problem Related to Branch-and-Bound Procedures", Proceedings of 27th IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, pp. 19-28 (1986).

S. Floyd and R.M. Karp, FFD Bin Packing for Item Sizes with Distributions on $[0, 1/2]$. Proceedings of 27th IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, pp. 322-339 (1986).

Richard Anderson

In a joint paper with Alok Agarwal, Anderson settled a major open problem in the theory of parallel computation by showing that the problem of conducting a depth-first-search tree in a directed graph lies in the complexity class Random NC.

A. Agarwal and R. Anderson, "Depth-First Search is in Random NC", to appear.

Nathan Linial

In the paper cited below, it is proved that a graph is k -connected if and only, for every set S of k vertices, it is possible to place the vertices of S at the corners of a $(k-1)$ -dimensional simplex, and the remaining vertices at distinct points in the interior of the simplex, so that, for each vertex v not in S , the interior point corresponding to v lies within the convex hull of the points corresponding to the neighbors of v in the graph. This characterization leads to an efficient randomized algorithm for computing the connectivity of a graph.

N. Linial, L. Lovasz and A. Wigderson, "A Physical Interpretation of Graph Connectivity, and its Algorithmic Applications", Proceedings, 27th IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, pp. 39-48, 1986.

Louis Auslander

Louis Auslander studied algorithms for computing large finite Fourier transforms. There exists an algorithm due to Cooley and Tukey that is reasonably efficient. However, if the Fourier transform in question admits a crystallographic group of transformations, Auslander has devised an improved method that takes advantage of this. When tried out for a special case where the group had order 3, it was six times as fast as the Cooley-Tukey method.

Preparation of a manuscript is in progress, tentatively titled, "Fourier transforms that respect crystallographic groups". It will probably be submitted to a journal specializing in crystallography.

3. Report on the Workshop.

A workshop on the complexity of parallel and distributed computation was held at MSRI from May 19 to May 23, 1986. The workshop had 21 speakers and 141 participants; their interests ranged from practical questions about the architecture of parallel and distributed systems to highly theoretical questions about the complexity of parallel computation. A panel discussion was held on the topic "Bridging the Gap Between the Theory and Practice of Parallel and Distributed Computing".

The main focus of the workshop was a set of mathematical and algorithmic issues that underlie the efficient use of the massively parallel computers that are just beginning to come into use. Several of the lectures were concerned with efficient algorithms for such computers. Other lectures were concerned with the problems of synchronization, load-sharing, and communication between processors in such systems. A third major theme was the reliable operation of such systems in the presence of faulty processors.

The total budget for the workshop was \$18,000, of which \$15,150 came from the Air Force grant and \$2,850 from the Army contract.

The participants supported by the Air Force grant were as follows:

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**Workshop on
PARALLEL AND DISTRIBUTED COMPUTATION**

May 19-23, 1986

**at the
MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

As part of its yearlong 1985-86 program on Computational Complexity, the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute will host a one-week workshop on the complexity of parallel and distributed computation, May 19-23, 1986. The organizing committee consists of R.M. Karp (chairman), H.T. Kung, Michael Rabin, and J.T. Schwartz. One of the principal aims of the workshop is to bring mathematicians and computer scientists working on the theoretical aspects of these subjects into contact with numerical analysts and computer architects involved in the design and use of parallel and distributed computer systems. Major topics addressed at the workshop will include: complexity of parallel computation, combinatorial and numerical parallel algorithms, realization of parallel algorithms in hardware, abstract models of parallel computation, architecture of parallel computers, concurrency control, randomization in parallel and distributed computing, routing algorithms, and fault-tolerant computation in distributed systems.

In addition to the program committee, the following have been invited to participate:

R. Anderson	D. Hillis	E. Mavr	L. Synder
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W.M. Gentleman	N. Lynch	D. Shmoys	A. Wigderson
J. Halpern	G. Magoi	M. Sipser	A. Yao

The workshop will be held at the Institute's new building at 1000 Centennial Drive. Shuttle bus service will be provided from the central campus area.

The mathematical sciences community is warmly invited to attend. Additional, more detailed information will be sent to people indicating a desire to come to the workshop. There will be a limited amount of money available to provide partial support for people wishing to attend and participate. New and recent Ph.D.'s are encouraged to apply. Requests for financial support should be received by April 1, 1986. Address inquiries concerning the workshop to *Program Committee, Parallel and Distributed Computing, Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, 1000 Centennial Drive, Berkeley, California 94720*. Funding for the conference is provided by the Army Research Office and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, in cooperation with the Office of Naval Research.

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WORKSHOP ON COMPLEXITY OF PARALLEL & DISTRIBUTED COMPUTATION May 19-23, 1986

(All sessions will be held in the MSRI Lecture Hall.)

Monday, May 19

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| 8:30 - 9:30 | Arrival of Participants |
| 9:30 - 9:40 | Opening of the Workshop |
| 9:40 - 10:30 | Richard Anderson, MSRI
A Random NC Algorithm for Depth-First Search |
| 10:40 - 11:30 | Uzi Vishkin, Tel Aviv University
On Methods for Designing Parallel Algorithms |
| 12:30 - 2:00 | Lunch Break |
| 2:00 - 2:50 | John Reif, Harvard University and MSRI
Efficient Parallel Algorithms - Theory and Practice |
| 3:15 - 4:00 | Tea |
| 4:00 - 4:50 | Gary Miller, University of Southern California
Workload Balancing in the Design of Processor-
Efficient Parallel Algorithms |

Tuesday, May 20

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| 9:00 - 9:50 | Gianfranco Bilardi, Cornell University
Bitonic Sorting in $O(\log^2 n)$ Time with $O(n/\log n)$ Processors |
| 10:00 - 10:50 | Nicholas Pippenger, IBM Almaden Research Center
Parallel Comparison Problems |
| 10:50 - 11:30 | Coffee Break |
| 11:30 - 12:20 | Ketan Mulmuley, University of California at Berkeley
Parallel Computation in Linear Algebra |
| 12:20 - 2:00 | Lunch Break |
| 2:00 - 2:50 | Franklin Luk, Cornell University
Parallel Algorithms for Signal Processing |
| 3:15 - 4:00 | Tea |
| 4:00 - 4:50 | Gilbert Stewart, University of Maryland
Determinacy - Its Uses and Limitations |
| 6:30 - | Heyns Room, Faculty Club
Reception for all participants |

Wednesday, May 21

9:00 - 9:50	Baruch Awerbuch, MIT Optimal Dynamic Deadlock Resolution Protocols
10:00 - 10:50	Joseph Halpern, IBM Almaden Research Center Analyzing Distributed Systems via Knowledge
10:50 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 12:20	Silvio Micali, MIT How to Compile Protocols for Reliable Players to Equivalent Fault-Tolerant Protocols
12:20 - 2:00	Lunch Break
2:00 - 2:50	Eli Upfal, IBM Almaden Research Center On the Relation Between Desirable and Feasible Models for Parallel Computation
3:15 - 4:00	Tea
4:00 - 4:50	Michael Rabin, Harvard University, Hebrew University, and MSRI Randomized Synchronization Primitives for Parallel Computers

Thursday, May 22

9:00 - 9:50	Larry Snyder, University of Washington Type Architectures
10:00 - 10:50	Charles Seitz, California Institute of Technology Low Latency Message-Passing Techniques for Concurrent Computers
10:50 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 12:20	Charles Leiserson, MIT VLSI Theory and its Relation to Parallel Supercomputing
12:20 - 2:00	Lunch Break

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Thursday, May 22 continued

2:00 - 3:15	Panel Discussion: Closing the Gap Between the Theory and Practice of Parallel and Distributed Computation Richard Karp, University of California at Berkeley and MSRI Charles Leiserson, MIT Michael Rabin, Hebrew University, Harvard University, and MSRI Charles Seitz, California Institute of Technology Larry Snyder, University of Washington
3:15 - 4:00	Tea
4:00 - 5:00	Continuation of Panel Discussion

Friday, May 23

9:00 - 9:50	Avi Wigderson, MSRI Lower Bounds in Parallel Computation
10:00 - 10:50	Jeffrey Ullman, Stanford University Parallel Complexity of Logic Programs
11:00 - 11:50	Leslie Valiant, Harvard University and MSRI Learning Algorithms for Connectionist Models

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